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For: LIGHT SPOT POSITION SENSOR AND DISPLACEMENT MEASURING DEVICE

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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In reply to the January 15, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the Abstract with the Abstract attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, line 28 - page 4, line 1, delete current paragraph and insert therefore:

Preferably, the displacement measuring device may also comprise a detector for detecting a surface feature of the work based on a position of the light beam detected at the light spot position sensor, the light beam output from the light source and entering the light spot position sensor via the work.

Page 4, lines 2-12, delete current paragraph and insert therefore: /

Preferably, the displacement measuring device may further comprise a displacement device arranged on the cantilever for displacing the tip of the cantilever in the direction opposite to the work; a displacement controller for feedback controlling the displacement 04/16/2003 BNGUYEN1 00000120 09899911

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